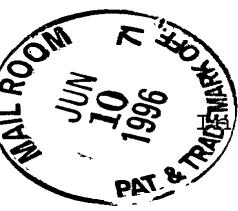


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re Application of:)
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RICHARD A. HEYMAN,)
Serial No.: 08/141,914)
Filed: October 22, 1993)
For: COMPOUNDS HAVING SELECTIVE)
ACTIVITY FOR RETINOID X RECEPTORS,)
AND MEANS FOR MODULATION OF)
PROCESSES MEDIATED BY RETINOID)
X RECEPTORS)

Art Unit: 1204
Examiner: Killos, P.

June 4, 1996

RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for
Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 4, 1995
regarding the above-identified patent application, applicants
request consideration of the following Remarks.

REMARKS

The Examiner has found claims 4-11 allowable.

The Examiner has, however, provisionally rejected
claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. §101 as claiming the same invention as
that of claims 1-3 of co-pending application Serial No.
08/141,496. While applicants traverse this rejection and do not

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